

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MORNING WORSHIP ~ 8:45 & 11:00 A.M.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*The service of worship begins with the music.
Through its power and brilliance may you feel the majesty of
God, in its quietness, God's peace.*

~ WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD ~

****WELCOME, REGISTRATION, ANNOUNCEMENTS**
*(Please sign the attendance sheet and pass it
to the end of the pew for usher pickup.)*

THE PRELUDE Ryland Brown

***THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***HYMN NO. 147** "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: In the days of Noah, God placed a rainbow in the sky as the sign of a covenant of God's love for all the earth.

People: In the colors of the rainbow, we see the sign of God's grace for all creation.

Leader: In the days of Moses, the words of God were written on tablets of stone, as the sign of a covenant between God and all of God's people.

People: In the tablets of stone, we see the sign of God's hope for each to live in peace with God and neighbor.

Leader: In the days of the prophets, God promised to place a new covenant in our hearts.

All: As members of the living Body of Christ, we see the sign of God's promise among us.

***A STATEMENT OF FAITH OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA**

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

***THE GLORIA PATRI NO. 70**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

RED BIRD MISSION TEAM DEDICATION (8:45am only)

Dick McGaughey, Dave Herndon,
William McCauley, Dean Martin

THE MORNING PRAYER

(Leader: Lord, in your mercy.

People Respond: Hear our prayer.)

THE LORD'S PRAYER (prayed together)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

MISSION'S LENTEN OFFERING CELEBRATION

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Darlene A. Moore

Lord God, let me give until it helps the poor and needy, let me love until it changes the abused and doubtful, and let me serve until it blesses the least and the oppressed through my tithe, time, talent, and testimony. Amen.

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY Ryland Brown

***THE DOXOLOGY NO. 94** LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts;
praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

~ WE HEAR GOD'S WORD ~

Arkeology

Remembering God's Plan and Promise

Presented by the Children's Choir

Directed by Kaitlyn Stevenson

Music Selection

Arkeology

Under the Weather

We're All in the Same Boat Now *Sometimes He Calms the Storm*

What Did Noah Know?

I'm Standing Under a Rainbow

Crocodile Crawl

Arkeology

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

***HYMN NO. 122** "God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale"

***BENEDICTION**

Leader: At Aldersgate we are ...

**People: Hearts on Fire ... Seeking, Sharing,
Serving ... For God!**

***THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***THE POSTLUDE**

Ryland Brown

**Congregation will please stand as able.*

Our service of worship has ended.

Let our worship through service begin.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are to the Glory of God and in honor and memory of Thomas Monts III by Mary Thomas and Elizabeth Monts.

THE PASCAL CANDLE is the large candle beside the communion table. Sometimes the Pascal Candle is also called the Easter Candle or the Christ Candle. It is lit during the 50 days of the Easter season. Jesus rose from the dead and appeared to his disciples for 40 days and then after his ascension the disciples waited 10 more days until the Holy Spirit came upon them at Pentecost. The flame of the Pascal Candle represents the living presence of the Risen Christ with his disciples between his resurrection and his ascension. It is also a reminder of the living presence of the Risen Christ with us.

JERRY SMITH DAY - On Sunday, *May 19* the congregation will recognize Jerry Smith for his total of 51+ years of service and commitment to the Aldersgate children and youth ministry. We will look back on his many years of service through words and pictures during the 11 o'clock service. Join us in Parker Hall following the service to say thank you to Jerry in person. We will be taking donations in his honor which will be used for much needed Youth House improvements and enhancements. If you would like to make a donation by *check* to the Aldersgate youth ministry in Jerry's honor, please be sure to earmark it *Jerry Smith Day* in the memo line. You can also donate in person during the reception. Thank you!

DON'T FORGET YOUR MOTHERS OR EPWORTH CHILDREN'S HOME NEXT SUNDAY! Next week is Mother's Day. We will buy flowers, call the mothers in our lives and remember those mothers who have impacted our lives in the past. Most of the children at Epworth Children's Home will not be celebrating Mother's Day with their mothers. Instead, they will be surrounded by loving staff and volunteers who walk with them daily to provide spiritual, educational, emotional, and physical support. Consider what God is calling you to give to support our church's ministry to the children in South Carolina. Your generous contribution to our church's ministry enables transformation to happen for the children who call Epworth home. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them online at www.epworthchildrenshome.org

ATTENDANCE – April 28, 2019

Sunday School - 123

Worship 8:45 am - 92 / 11:00 am - 141

Total Worship = 233

OUR RECORD

General Fund Budget Needs (YTD)	\$ 244,559.96
Total General Fund Receipts (YTD)	\$ 276,260.19
Total General Fund Expenses (YTD)	\$ 236,306.63
Surplus in Contributions to Expenses (YTD)	\$ 39,953.56
Weekly General Fund Budget Needs	\$ 14,385.88
Previous Weeks General Fund Giving	\$ 11,486.00

CALENDAR FOR MAY 2019

Sunday, May 5: Children Singing

- 8:45 am & 11:00 am Worship
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 3:00 pm Cindy Harter Circle—Mac Vinson Companions Class

Monday, May 6:

- 8:00 am—Clean-up from Garage Sale
- 1:00 pm Prime Timers Bridge—Parker Hall
- 6:30 pm Program Council—Mac Vinson Companions Class

Tuesday, May 7:

- 8:30 am Pastor Alex in Columbia at Meeting
- 1:00 pm Tuesday Bridge Group

Wednesday, May 8:

- 11:30 am Mary Teasley Lunch (away)

Thursday, May 9:

- 1:00 pm Stephen Ministry—Mac Vinson Companions Class

Friday, May 10:

- 6:00 pm Girl Scouts -Parker Hall

PRAYER CONCERNS

As of printing Wednesday, May 2, 2019:

- NHC-Greenville:** Fred Copeland
- Home:** Beth & Warren Rambo, Pete & Martha Hendrix, John & Mary Holmstrand, Ann Armstrong, Bill Culbertson, Lillis Smith, Tom Barnhill, Rudy Rogers, Joan Sanford
- Oakview Park:** Joan Pawlus **NHC Mauldin:** Atrice Hughey
- Memory Care of Simpsonville:** Jennie Ruth Waynick
- Myrtle Beach, SC:** Randy Hale **The Woodlands:** Peggy Miller
- Cascades:** Patti Whelchel **Mt. Pleasant, SC:** Florence Hale
- Haywood Estates:** Ann Linse **Rock Hill/Daughter:** Bill Taylor
- Brookdale @ Hawthorne:** Nita Bearden
- Westminster Senior Living/Augusta Place:** Melba Poole
- Rolling Green:** Wayne Rowan, Ralph Bell

SERVING TODAY

- Greeters:** 8:45 am Greeter Group
11:00 am Greeter Group
- Acolytes:** 8:45 am Karis King
11:00 am Anna Kate Schemm
- Crucifer:** 11:00 am Reid Schemm
- Usher Captains:** 8:45 am David McAvoy
11:00 am Frank Mathis
- Ushers:** 8:45 am Doug Jordan, Phil Martin, Waldo Watts
- Ushers:** 11:00 am David Ayer, Clay Garrison, Cody Owens

MINISTRY STAFF

- The Rev. Alex Stevenson, Pastor (ext. 207)
- Johannah Myers, Director of Christian Formation (ext. 211)
- Ruth Hughes, Director of Children's & Leisure Min. (ext. 204)
- Dr. Grant Knox, Dir. of Music (ext. 208)
- Ryland Brown, Musician
- Jennifer Nelson, Director, Child Development Center (ext. 202)
- Josh Consalvo, Director of Youth (ext. 212)
- Susan Hamilton, Office Manager/Communications (ext. 210)
- Cameron Vaughn, Financial Secretary (ext. 206)

MINISTERS – THE CONGREGATION

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

- Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00-Noon
- Phone: 864/244-1820 Fax: 864/244-9701
- Child Development Center...864/268-5028

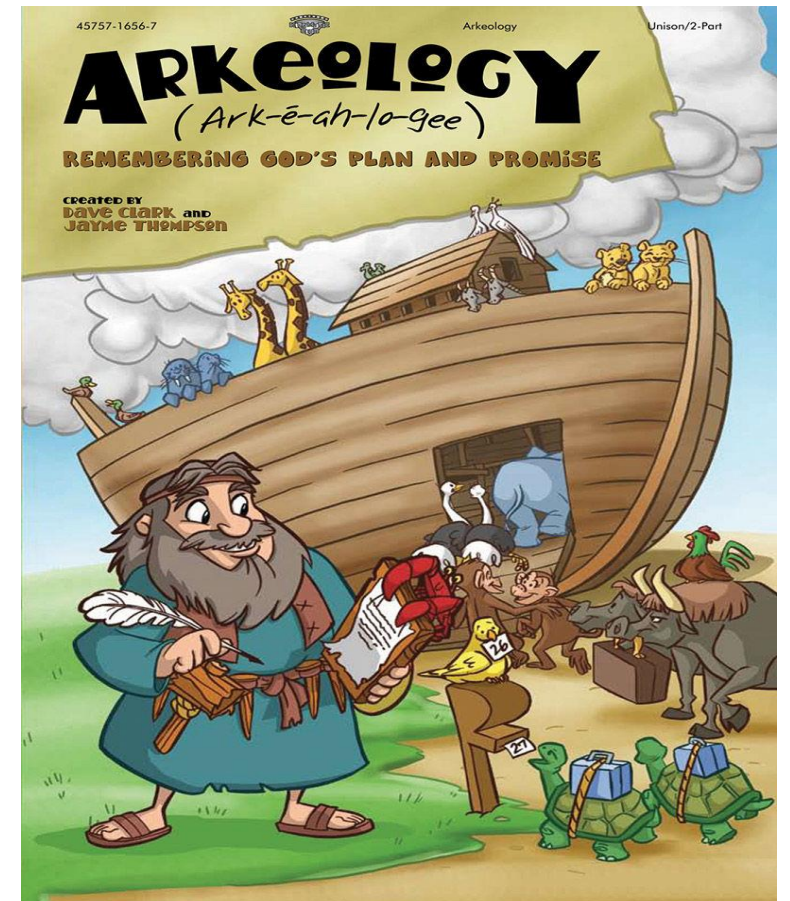
MISSION STATEMENT

... We are called to make disciples by embracing all people with God's love in Christ and equipping each other for service to God and His world.

VISION STATEMENT

Hearts on Fire...Seeking, Sharing, Serving...For God! 

Welcome to
ALDERSGATE
UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH



The Rev. Alex Stevenson

**7 Shannon Drive
Greenville, South Carolina 29615**

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WORSHIP SERVICES

8:45 am & 11:00 am

May 5, 2019

Established October 9, 1960

**Open hearts...Open minds...Open doors
The people of The United Methodist Church**

A Stephen Ministry Congregation